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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

### Short Sketches of the Lives of Persons Who Have Recently Passed Away.

#### DONALD K. SKINNER.

Donald Kerper Skinner, son of the late Captain and Mrs. Geo. W. Skinner, died at Windber Hospital, Somerset county, on Thursday morning of last week. The funeral took place in Chambersburg last Sunday afternoon, and interment was made in the Skinner lot in Cedar Grove cemetery, Chambersburg.

Donald was about 24 years of age, and was born at Big Cove Tannery. He was a civil engineer and was employed by the Berwind-White Mining Company at Windber. A short time ago he entered the hospital for a minor nasal operation, when subsequently appendicitis developed, and for the relief of this an operation was performed six days before his death.

Donald is survived by two sisters and one brother; Nell (Mrs. Edgar Criswell, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mame (Mrs. H. V. Black, Huntington, Pa.) and Parker R., of Chambersburg, Pa.

#### MRS. ELIZABETH COWAN.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cowan, widow of David Cowan, died at the home of her grandson, David J. Hixon, in Everett, March 10, 1916, aged 88 years, 10 months, and 21 days. Mrs. Cowan was the early seventies she and her husband conducted a hotel at Emmaville this county. The following named children survive: Mrs. Florence Rash, of Albion, Nebr.; Mrs. May Peck (widow of Dennis D. Peck), Bradford, born near Chambersburg, and in O.; and Mrs. Martha Harr, of Coal Run, O. She was a member of the Lutheran church for many years.

#### MRS. ABBIE DESHONG.

Mrs. Abbie Deshong, widow of the late Daniel P. Deshong, Esq., died at her home at Pleasant Ridge, Friday evening March 10, 1916, aged about 77 years. The funeral services conducted by Rev. J. C. Garland took place Sunday afternoon and interment was made at the Sideling Hill Christian church.

Mrs. Deshong is survived by two daughters and two sons: Charlie, residing in Wells Valley; S. Logue, Johnstown, Pa.; Laura, wife of James O. Mellot, Salisbury, and Ida Jane, wife of Howard Hann, Pleasant Ridge.

#### GEORGE M. TRUAX.

George Morgan Truax, a veteran of the Civil War, and one of Fulton County's oldest citizens died at his home in Emmaville, on Thursday evening, March 9, 1916, aged 81 years, 10 months, and 11 days. Mr. Truax had been in ill health a long time, and his death was not unexpected to his family. The funeral conducted by Eld. C. L. Funk, of the Primitive Baptist church, took place last Saturday and interment was made in the cemetery at the Sideling Hill Baptist church. Mr. Truax was married to Jemima Mellott, of Belfast township, who survives together with two children, Charles in the mercantile business at Emmaville, and Elizabeth, wife of Dr. E. D. Akers at Alversville.

#### JOHN T. LALEY.

John Thomas Laley, a well known citizen of Belfast township, and a veteran of the Civil War, died at his home north of Cross Roads school house on Monday of last week, aged about 75 years. His funeral took place on the following Wednesday and interment was made at the Brethren church on Pleasant Ridge. Mr. Laley had been afflicted with asthma for a number of years, but his condition was not such as to create serious apprehension on the part of neighbors and his family.

His wife, who was Mary Everts, died a few years ago, and he is

## Trouble Never Comes Alone.

Acting upon the advice of her local physician, Mrs. Hal B. Trout was taken to the Chambersburg hospital on Monday of last week, and on Tuesday she underwent a surgical operation for the removal of an internal tumor. She came out from under the influence of the anaesthetics and the operation seemed satisfactory at the time. Later it was found that a second tumor existed, and on Tuesday of this week she was placed on the operating table for the second time.

On Thursday afternoon of last week, O. L. Greathead took Mrs. Trout's children, Willis, LaMar, and Rose (Daniels), and her husband, to Chambersburg to see Mrs. Trout. Mr. Greathead brought the children and Mr. Trout home in the evening, and the car was run into the garage at the Trout home about seven o'clock. Later in the evening Mr. Trout went out, drained the radiator, and everything seemed right. About midnight Willis got awake and saw light reflected from his window.

He called his step-father, and it was soon found that the garage was afire. The telephone was set to work, but before help could reach them the garage and the automobile, together with harness and other valuables contained in the garage, were entirely destroyed.

The garage stood within a few rods of the large barn filled with grain, hay, and the live stock. Fortunately the wind was blowing in the direction that carried the heat and sparks from the barn, else there would be a story of much greater disaster to tell. There was no insurance on the automobile.

The cause of the fire is unknown. It may have caught from a foot-warmer that was left in the machine in the evening.

## This Time The Girls Won.

The friendly contest between Mrs. C. B. Stevens' class of girls and Mrs. Aaron Martin's class of boys in the local M. E. Sunday School still continues, with the attendance of both classes up to the standard—only two absentees in each class during the month of February, which was good, considering the weather. The boys entertained the girls the last time, and as a return compliment, the girls will entertain the boys on Friday evening, at the parsonage at a St. Patrick's party. The honor roll for the month is the following: Girls—Anna Mary Sipes, Helen Nace, Mazie Hamill, Winnie and Nettie Mellott, Ethel Stevens, Bessie and Kittie Harris, Amy Clevenger, Mary Scott Pittman, Esther Luring.

Boys—Donald Nace, George Mosser, Malcolm Kirk, Tad Hamill, Elgin Mann, Elwood Wilkinson, Horace Pittman, Blair and Warren Barton, Donald Souders, Willie Pittman, Frank Stenger, and Vincent Stevens.

George Fagley brought his brother John to town Monday and John went on to Philadelphia to bring home two circular saws, which he has had in the City for repairs. He returned yesterday.

survived now by but one child, Miss Nellie, at home.

## MISS EVA COVALT.

Miss Eva Covalt, daughter of the late Abram Covalt, died at her home in Bedford, Pa., Monday, March 13, 1916, aged about fifty years. The funeral will take place this afternoon, and interment will be made in the family lot in Bedford cemetery. Miss Covalt succeeded her father who was a prominent merchant in Bedford, but her health giving way, she was obliged to close out the business last summer. The cause of her death was cancer. She is survived by one brother, Alfred, manager of the electric light plant at Everett.



Lenten Services  
Reformed and Presbyterian Churches,  
McConnellsburg, Pa.,  
Sunday, March 19th,  
10:45 a. m., Presbyterian Church.  
"The Lamb of God."  
7:00 p. m., Reformed Church.  
"Accepting and Confessing Christ."  
Wednesday, March 22nd,  
7:00 p. m., Reformed Church.  
"Christ Message to Busy Men."  
Good Music. All Welcome.  
REV. J. L. YEARICK.

## OUR DISTANT FRIENDS.

Interesting Extracts from Letters Recently Received from Former Fulton County People.

ANDREW DANIELS, Pawnee Rock, Kansas. Here is a dollar to pay my subscription another year. This is a good country. The soil is rich. There are fields that have been in wheat for thirty-five years, and they are still bringing good crops, without the necessity of any commercial fertilizers. But, there is a far better country to which I expect soon to go—a country, in which there is no sorrow, no sickness, no death.

## Surprise Party.

Last Friday was the 51st birthday anniversary of Mrs. Harrison Gutschall, of Dublin township, and she was most agreeably surprised when forty-eight of her good friends swooped down upon her dwelling and took full possession of the house. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George Regi and children, Brenton, Stella, Dallas, Virgin, Delmar and Norris; Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Helman and children Mary, Norman, Hazel, Jeary and Donald; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wagner and children Mildred, Bessie, Edna and Mabel; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mellott and children Lloyd and Chester; Mrs. Edward Foster and children Park, Cecil, John and Olive; Mrs. James Aller and children Brice, Irene, Oscar, Jessie and Alma; Ada, Lewis, and John Cunningham, Miss Lola Wilson, Mrs. Mary Campbell and daughter Ruth; Allen Walker and H. A. Wible, of Huntingdon county; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gutschall and daughters Ada and Cleo.

Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served.

After having spent a few hours most pleasantly, the guests left for their respective homes joyful with the thought that they had strewed flowers in the pathway of an esteemed and worthy neighbor. We are requested by one of the guests to say that there was no "rasseling" there.

## Fulton County Place.

Henry Hann sawed a yellow pine tree on the Meadow-Billy Patterson farm, in Ayr township, now owned by Mrs. D. A. Nelson, that made 2,600 feet of boards. The tree made five 16-ft. logs, two, 8-ft., and one 10-ft. It measured 36 inches across the stump, and 32 feet up from the stump, 3 1/2 inches. Here's a chance for some of our lumbermen to beat this. They are cutting the timber off about ten acres of this tract and expect a yield of 200,000 feet. The timber is being taken off by C. M. Unger and George Richards.

## An Open Letter to You.

In 1873, a map of Fulton county was published. More than 400 were sold at \$10.00. A new map of our County, in atlas form containing more information is just off the press, and will be for sale next week, at \$2.00 cash Messrs Plessinger and Taylor, our local surveyors, who compiled the atlas, are asking nothing for their work, and the atlas will be sold at the actual cost of engraving, printing, binding and selling. Following is a list of salesmen who will canvass part of the county. H. H. Bridenstine, Wells and Taylor, Thomas Cromer, Dublin and Todd, N. M. Laidig, Licking Creek and McConnellsburg, R. S. Correll, Belfast. Arrangements will be made for canvassing the other townships soon. As there has only been a limited number of these atlases published we would advise our citizens to secure one promptly when the solicitor calls.

## Almost a Fire.

The family of George McElDowney and that of Mrs. Lottie Grissinger occupy a double house on West Walnut street. Tuesday morning Mrs. McElDowney detected the odor of smoke that indicated smoldering fire, and it seemed to come from the side of the house occupied by Mrs. Grissinger. The Grissinger family had gone away from the house a short time before this, the daughter, Miss Lucille, being at school. Word was sent to Lucille, who came home, went into the house and found that a dress that had been hanging near where the stovepipe came through the second floor, had fallen against the pipe, had ignited, and set fire to the floor around the pipe and was burning the oil cloth around the pipe hole. The fire was quickly extinguished, and lucky it was that it was discovered early.

## Socialists.

Mrs. Frank Henry entertained a number of her friends at dinner recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Runyan gave a series of entertainments for their friends last week.

Mrs. C. B. Stevens entertained a number of friends at luncheon last Thursday.

One of the very delightful social events of the season was a "party" given by the Pattersons at their beautiful country home the Brookside Farm, on Tuesday evening. The large number present esteemed it an honor to be a guest of such genial hosts where hospitality reigned supreme.

The many friends of Baltzer Cutchall are glad to know that he is improving in health.

## BATHING.

Little Talks on Health and Hygiene by Samuel G. Dixon, M. D., LL. D., Commissioner of Health.

When Adam first fell into the water the human race took a step forward. Civilization and bath tubs now go hand in hand.

Authorities may vary in discussing the merits of the hot bath, the tepid bath and the cold bath, but they all agree in the abstract that bathing is a necessity to good health and a prime promoter of self respect. The removal from the skin of the accumulation of refuse matter is the primary reason for the bath.

It is essential to good health that the skin be kept in proper condition, as it automatically regulates the heat of the body, permitting it to cool off when it becomes too warm, and keeping in heat when it becomes too cold. It assists the lungs and kidneys in the disposal of refuse matter. When the skin sweats it assists the kidneys. When not too heavily clothed it respires and helps the lungs.

A bath should not be taken too near meal time. There is a normal attraction of the blood toward the stomach after eating; any interference with this and the attraction of the blood toward the surface of the body is apt to arrest digestion.

Warm baths have a soothing effect and are often prescribed for nervousness. The tepid bath can do no harm. Cold baths are stimulating but are apt to be injurious if the heart action is not strong enough to permit of a ready reaction. To some individuals the shock to the nervous system is so great that they cannot accustom themselves to cold baths.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McCandlish and Mrs. W. F. Sappington, of Hancock, motored to McConnellsburg last Saturday evening and spent the time until Monday morning in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson L. Nace, East Lincoln Way. They were accompanied to Hancock Monday by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Patterson, who were enroute to their new home in Clarksburg, W. Va.

Austin Carbaugh, formerly of this county, but now owning a good farm on the Warm Spring road between Mercersburg and Chambersburg, came to this county Monday afternoon to attend the sales in the Cove this week and meet his oldtime friends.

Miss Bessie Belford, of Harrisburg, spent from Sunday until Tuesday with her cousin, Miss Bess Nesbit. Miss Belford is one of the head clerks in Bowman's big store.

## Prune the Grapes at Once.

Grape vines should be pruned at once. Do not wait until the weather has begun to warm up and the growth takes place, then the vines bleed and are weakened by the pruning.

Most grape vines are not pruned severely enough. By careful observation the grape growers in the Chautauqua grape belt have found that to produce an annual average crop of the first class fruit, a Concord vine should be pruned back to twenty-five buds. Iowa, Worden and Moore's Early Delaware require shorter budding, eighteen or twenty buds being sufficient. Lady, Eclipse, Brilliant, Green Net and Niagara require moderately long pruning, about twenty-five buds, while Jefferson, Herbert, and Vergennes require somewhat longer pruning of about thirty buds.

Where more buds are left than necessary, more wood growth is made and it does not ripen properly, so that the crop for the succeeding year is shortened. Bulletin No. 217 of the State Department of Agriculture discusses thoroughly grape culture in Pennsylvania. It can be had upon request to the department at Harrisburg.

## Forging Ahead.

Emory Pittman, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Pittman formerly of this county but now residing near Carlisle, after graduating from the Carlisle Commercial College, accepted a position as book-keeper with the People's Natural Gas Company, Wilkensburg, Pa. In a short time he was promoted to the position of Assistant Cashier; two years later, he received another promotion with a very substantial advance in salary, and given the cashiership of the office in Altoona, taking charge of the position the first of last January, and moving his family to that city. Emory's many friends are glad to hear of his success.

## C. L. S. C. Program.

MARCH 20TH.

1. Roll Call. Name an author and give an interesting thought concerning his work.
2. Sketch of Trinity Church, Boston and its two great artists, John La Farge and Henry Hobson Richardson.—Mrs. Stevens.
3. How has architecture been influenced by Steel Construction?—Rev. Peterman.
4. Three minute biography of Mrs. Patience Lowell Wright.—Miss Reiser.
5. How has the Talking Machine influenced our Music Standards?—Mrs. Mosser.
6. Each member of the Class prepare a question on Chapter VII.

## Church Notices.

Rev. Edward F. Mellott will preach at Pleasant Grove next Saturday evening (March 8th) at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday school Sunday morning at 9:30, and Christian Endeavor at 7:30 in the evening.

A Sunday school will be organized at the Laurel Ridge Christian church at 10 o'clock, March 19th. Every one interested in the work is requested to be present.

Dr. L. L. Sieber, of Gettysburg, and evangelist of note, will begin a series of meetings in the Big Cove Tannery Lutheran church on Wednesday evening of next week.

## Educational Meetings.

The seventh educational meeting of Belfast township was held at Morton's Point Friday evening, March 10.

Topics discussed were: 1. The personality of the teacher. 2. Value of incentives. 3. Value of regular attendance.

Teachers present, Etta Waltz, Maye Pittman, Thomas Truax, Floyd Hart, John Morton, Hobart Truax, Levi Garland, of Belfast and Charles Mellott, of Licking Creek.

## ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

Machine Oil only 30 cents a gallon at George Fagley's.

Mrs. B. W. Peck is visiting relatives in Bedford, and in Blair county.

Herbert Duffy, of Webster Mills, spent last Tuesday night in Chambersburg.

Miss Anna Sheets is visiting her friends and relatives in the Cove for a few days.

Howard Connor and A. S. Rourabaugh, of Brushcreek Valley, were in town Monday on business.

Miss Ethel Kendall spent from Saturday until Monday with her sister, Mrs. John Rhodes, near Mercersburg.

E. F. Deshong moved his sawmill outfit to John Hoop's timber last week and is busy now manufacturing lumber.

Merchant J. K. Johnston is spending two weeks at Seranton, Pa., attending U. S. District Court as Petit Juror.

Mrs. Nellie Tritle is spending some time with her brother, Murray Ray, in the Cove. Mrs. Tritle has been in poor health for some time.

George Fagley & Brother who are now sawing at John Garland's will move their mill to Slabtown in a week or two where they will have a good job.

Baker & Bros., Real Estate, Insurance, Automobiles, Live Stock &c. Write us your desires First National Bank Building, Everett, Pa. P. S. Loans arranged for.

Miss Meta Fryman spent a couple days last week at C. V. S. N. S., Shippensburg, as the guest of Miss Dorothy Kirk. She speaks well for the school and reports having a pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. William McDowell and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDowell, of Lemasters, and Miss McDowell, of Mercersburg, attended the "party" at Pattersons' Tuesday evening.

Rev. A. S. Luring and Aaron Martin, of the M. E. church in this place left Tuesday noon for Altoona where they will attend the annual Conference of this District. They went by way of Bedford.

## State Agriculture Notes.

Pennsylvania ranks sixteenth among the States for the number of horses and twentieth for the number of mules it possesses. Iowa and Illinois lead with horses and Texas and Missouri with mules.

It is estimated by the Department of Agricultural agents that it takes over 6,000,000 tons of feed to supply the livestock of the State each year.

In North Heidelberg township, Berks county, it is reported that thirteen per cent. of the farmers are disposing of their stock and will retire.

Between eleven and twelve thousand persons attended the Farmers' Institutes held in York county, being an average of nearly 1,000 persons a day. York county farmers attribute much of their success to the institutes conducted annually by the Department of Agriculture.

Over 2,000 tons of cabbage remains in storage at Waterford, Erie County, and it is being moved slowly at seven dollars a ton.

Farmers report that the high price of gasoline has caused an increase in the price of grinding in the grist mills of the State.

Pennsylvania ranks sixth in the production of hay with New York, Iowa, Missouri, California and Wisconsin leading.

Pennsylvania ranks ninth in the production of wheat, fourteenth for oats and twentieth for corn in the United States.

Pennsylvania is led in the production of potatoes by Maine, New York, Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota.